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6 18-18 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

8 PARAMJIT SINGH BASRA,

9 Petitioner,

10 v.

11 STEPHEN SINCLAIR,

12 Respondent.

CASE NO. C18-186 TSZ-BAT

**ORDER DIRECTING BRIEFING  
ON RESPONDENT'S ANSWER  
AND PETITIONER'S MOTION TO  
STAY AND ABEY AND RENOTING  
ANSWER AND MOTION**

13 In respondent's answer, he asked that petitioner's 28 U.S.C § 2254 habeas petition be  
14 dismissed with prejudice because (1) two of petitioner's four claims are unexhausted and are  
15 now procedurally barred; and (2) all four of the claims are meritless. Dkt. 10. Petitioner did not  
16 respond to the answer, instead moving to stay and abey proceedings so that he may exhaust  
17 claims raised in a state personal restraint petition currently pending before the Washington Court  
18 of Appeals (cause number 78282-7-I).<sup>1</sup> Dkt. 15. It does not appear, however, that the claims he  
19 raises in cause number 78287-7-I are the same claims he has raised in the current federal habeas  
20 petition and he has not sought leave to amend his habeas petition. Moreover, petitioner has not

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23 <sup>1</sup> Appellant's brief in cause number 78282-7-I is apparently due on October 31, 2018. *See*  
dw.courts.wa.gov (last accessed July 3, 2018).

1 responded substantively to respondent's answer. Similarly, respondent has not responded  
2 substantively to petitioner's motion to stay and abey.

3 The Court **ORDERS** (1) petitioner to respond to respondent's answer by **July 31, 2018**;  
4 (2) respondent to reply to the answer and respond to the motion to stay and abey by **August 14,**  
5 **2018**; and (3) petitioner to surreply to the answer and reply to the motion to stay and abey by  
6 **August 28, 2018**. The parties are expected to file a single brief, not to exceed 24 pages in length,  
7 for each of the above deadlines. The Clerk is **DIRECTED** to renote both the answer, Dkt. 10,  
8 and the motion to stay and abey, Dkt. 15, for consideration on **August 28, 2018**.

9 DATED this 3rd day of July, 2018.

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12 BRIAN A. TSUCHIDA  
13 Chief United States Magistrate Judge  
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